



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No.: 05-361)

In re the Application of:)
Habermann et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Serial No.: 10/076,634)
Filed: February 19, 2002)
For: FUSION PROTEINS CAPABLE OF BEING SECRETED INTO A)
FERMENTATION MEDIUM)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION,
MAILED AUGUST 25, 2005

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following Amendment and Response to the Final Office action, dated August 25, 2005. A Petition for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time and associated fee (\$1,020) as well as a Request for Continuing Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and associated fee (\$790.00) are included herewith. Accordingly, a Response is timely filed on February 25, 2005, or the next business day. Since February 25 is a Saturday a response is timely filed Monday, February 27, 2006.

Applicants believe no fees other than those detailed above are due; however if additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees, as well as credit overpayment and debit underpayment to our Deposit Account 13-2490.

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- Amendments to Specification begin on Page 6 of this paper.
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